

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 37 public bills, H.R. 4976–5012; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 651–653 were introduced. **Pages H5816–18**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H5819–30**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2807, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–494);

H.R. 3134, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow charitable contributions made by an individual after the close of the taxable year, but before the tax return due date, to be treated as made in such taxable year, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–495);

H.R. 4619, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the rule allowing certain tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–496);

H.R. 4691, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–497); and

H.R. 4719, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend and expand the charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–498). **Page H5816**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Foxx to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5771**

**Lowering Gasoline Prices to Fuel an America That Works Act of 2014:** The House passed H.R. 4899, to lower gasoline prices for the American family by increasing domestic onshore and offshore energy exploration and production and to streamline and improve onshore and offshore energy permitting and administration, by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 368. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, June 25th. **Pages H5772–H5805**

Rejected the Bishop (NY) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 177 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 367. **Pages H5803–05**

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–50 shall be considered as an origi-

nal bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H5773**

Agreed to:

Duncan (SC) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that directs the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management to include Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia into an administrative planning area for offshore leasing purposes; **Pages H5786–87**

Wittman amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that fosters STEM education in the South Atlantic states by allowing colleges, universities and historically black colleges and universities (with a preference to military veteran serving institutions of higher education) to partner with the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management to train the next generation of geological and geophysical scientists to better understand the oil, gas and other hydrocarbon potential of the offshore South Atlantic; **Pages H5787–88**

Jackson Lee amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that establishes an Office of Energy Employment and Training to ensure that veterans, women, and under-represented minorities are fully included in the hiring and training efforts of the Department of the Interior's energy planning, permitting, and regulatory agencies; **Pages H5793–97**

Wittman amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that grants the Secretary of the Interior the ability to add a lease sale area to a finalized 5 year plan, as long as all of the National Environmental Policy Act requirements have been met on that specific area within the last 5 years (by a recorded vote of 244 ayes to 172 noes, Roll No. 360); and **Pages H5782–83, H5798–99**

Bishop (UT) amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that prohibits the Secretary from canceling, deferring or withdrawing any lease previously announced to be auctioned based on public comments received by the Department after the public comment period has expired (by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 173 noes, Roll No. 365). **Pages H5792–93, H5802–03**

Rejected:

Lowenthal amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that sought to strike section 10410 which prohibits BOEM and BSEE from coordinating coastal and marine spatial planning under the National Ocean Policy (by a recorded vote of 179 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 361); **Pages H5783–86, H5799H5800**

Capps amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that sought to require the Secretary of Interior to notify all relevant state and local regulatory agencies and publish a notice in the Federal Register

within 30 days after receiving any application for a permit that would allow the conduct of any offshore oil and gas well stimulation activities (by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 362);

**Pages H5788–89, H5800–01**

Deutch amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that sought to strike the provision that an action involving a covered energy decision shall take precedence over all other pending matters before the district court (by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 363);

**Pages H5789–90, H5801**

Blumenauer amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that sought to require companies holding leases, which allow them to drill on public lands off-shore without paying a royalty, to renegotiate those leases prior to bidding on new leases issued pursuant to Title I of this Act (by a recorded vote of 179 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 364); and

**Pages H5790–92, H5801–02**

DeFazio amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 113–493) that sought to authorize \$10 million of the revenue generated by the underlying bill for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to use existing authority to limit speculation in energy markets (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 366).

**Pages H5797–98, H5803**

H. Res. 641, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4899) and (H.R. 4923), was agreed to yesterday, June 25th.

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:53 a.m. and reconvened at 11:02 a.m.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, June 30th.

**Pages H5805, H5814**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5790.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5799, H5800, H5800–01, H5801, H5801–02, H5802–03, H5803, H5804–05, H5805. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### OVERSIGHT OF THE SEC'S DIVISION OF TRADING AND MARKETS

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled "Oversight of the SEC's Division of Trading and Markets". Testimony was heard from Stephen Luparello, Director, Division of

Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: H.R. 2283, to prioritize the fight against human trafficking within the Department of State according to congressional intent in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 without increasing the size of the Federal Government, and for other purposes; H.R. 4347, to require the Secretary of State to provide an annual report to Congress regarding United States Government efforts to survey and secure the return, protection, and restoration of stolen, confiscated, or otherwise unreturned Christian properties in the Republic of Turkey and in those areas currently occupied by the Turkish military in northern Cyprus; H.R. 4411, to prevent Hezbollah and associated entities from gaining access to international financial and other institutions, and for other purposes; H.R. 4640, to establish the Western Hemisphere Drug Policy Commission; and H.R. 4653, to reauthorize the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, and for other purposes; H. Res. 435, calling on the government of Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance in this case of Robert Levinson, one of the longest held United States civilians in our Nation's history; and H. Res. 588, concerning the suspension of exit permit issuance by the Government of the Democratic Republic of Congo for adopted Congolese children seeking to depart the country with their adoptive parents; and H. Res. 562, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to enhanced relations with the Republic of Moldova and support for Moldova's territorial integrity. The following bills and resolutions were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 4347; H.R. 2283; H.R. 4411; H.R. 4640; H.R. 4653; H. Res. 435; H. Res. 562; and H. Res. 588.

### COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Task Force on Over-Criminalization held a hearing entitled "Collateral Consequences". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### TECHNOLOGY FOR PATIENT SAFETY AT VETERANS HOSPITALS

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Research and Technology; and Subcommittee on Oversight held a joint subcommittee hearing entitled "Technology for Patient Safety at Veterans Hospitals". Testimony was heard from Chetan Jinadatha, Chief, Infectious Diseases, Central Texas Veterans Health Care System; and public witnesses.